

Good Afternoon. On behalf of the United Kingdom administration, I would like to present our goals and objectives for this conference and to alleviate the tensions surrounding Iran and their nuclear capabilities.

The United Kingdom and Iran have had a tumultuous relationship—from our differing defense capabilities to our varying stances on nuclear power to our governmental relationship, we have not been on easy terms. We admire and respect the Islamic states and strive for a peaceful relationship with Iran. That being said, it can not be forgotten that nuclear weapons pose as a threat to the international realm and put all of us at risk. Though we are striving to ameliorate our relationship with Iran it cannot be forgotten that Iran and many other states as nuclear powers poses as a threat to us as well as to our allies—the United States of America, Israel and the other states in the European Union.

Given these strong alliances, our desire for an amended relationship with Iran as well as our desire for peace in the International realm, our main objectives for this conference are as follows:

- 1) We wish to live in a peaceful world, and we believe that through this with an ultimate goal of limiting nuclear weapons. We invoke the support of the United States and Russia for this goal and would interested in the possibility of 5 party negotiations. We are willing to give support to help both countries achieve this. We believe that the main focus of this conference should not be solely on the Iranian reduction of nuclear weapons but on a global effort to eliminate the possibility of nuclear war.
- 2) The United Kingdom supports the American desire for no nuclear development in North Korea and Iran. We also stand along side the US with our support for Israel, but we do not see this as this putting us in total opposition to the Muslim world, including Iran. We wish to maintain peace in the Middle East and strength our relationship with the Islamic states, as well as to help Iran to find a way to have a safe nuclear power.

Before I close, it has been brought to my attention that the state of Iran attempted to “bug” the French meeting room last night. If these accusations prove to be true, we ask that the Iranian delegation apologize for these actions in order to insure a more peaceful and productive conference that will achieve lasting alliances in the international realm.

These objectives having been stated, let me reiterate that the United Kingdom desires nothing but peace. We wish to strengthen our relationships with Iran and the other Muslim states and maintain our valued alliances.

Thank you.